

DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicants' amendment filed September 1, 2010 is acknowledged. Claims 13 and 29-30 are deleted. Claims 1, 7-8, 15 and 33 are amended. Now, Claims 1-12, 14-28 and 31-33 are pending.

2. It is noted that the status identifier of Claim 12 should have been "(previously presented)". Therefore, Claim 12 is re-written as below.

Examiner's Amendment

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

4. The application has been amended as follows:

Replace Claim 12 with --

Claim 12 The polyorganosiloxane composition of claim 1, wherein the amino- and/or ammonium-polysiloxane compound (a1) has at least two

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units Q and further comprises more than two units V^{si} , wherein V^{si} is a polyorganosiloxane group. --

5. Authorization for the following examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Christopher J. Korff on November 4, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In Claim 1 (last line), after "thereof", insert --, and wherein said amino- and/or ammonium-polysiloxane compound a2) contains the radical R^{11} --.

6. Claim objection(s) in the previous Office Action (Paper No. 20100508) is/are removed.

7. Claim rejection(s) under 35 USC 112 in the previous Office Action (Paper No. 20100508) is/are removed.

8. Claim rejection(s) under 35 USC 103 in the previous Office Action (Paper No. 20100508) is/are removed.

Allowable Subject Matter

9. Claims 1-12, 14-28 and 31-33 are allowed.

10. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The present claims are allowable for at least the following reason(s) over the closest reference: Masschelein (US 2002 0103094)

Masschelein discloses a polyorganosiloxane composition for treating fabrics, etc., which comprises a cationic silicone polymer containing quaternary nitrogen moieties. The quaternary nitrogen moieties can either present in pendant groups or in the backbone (corresponding to the claimed a1) compound), and laundry adjunct agents. ([0007]-[0010], [0014], [0039]-[0046], [0164] and Examples) However, Masschelein does not teach or fairly suggest the presently claimed compound a2).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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11. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kuo-Liang Peng whose telephone number is (571) 272-1091. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jim Seidleck, can be reached on (571) 272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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